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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT *corrected version*

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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International application No. PCT/EP2004/053592	International filing date (day/month/year) 17/12/2004	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 31/12/2003
Applicant KRATON POLYMERS RESEARCH B.V.		

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of 6 sheets

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report
 - a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
 - The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1 (b)).
 - b. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.
2. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box II).
3. Unity of Invention is lacking (see Box III).
4. With regard to the title,
 - the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
 - the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:
5. With regard to the abstract,
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 - the text has been established, according to Rule 35.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.
6. With regard to the drawings,
 - a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____
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 - as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
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 - b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons.

1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely: **corrected version**
2. Claims Nos.: because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

see additional sheet

1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
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- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-5,8-10

A low viscosity, hot melt adhesive composition comprising
(a) at least one block copolymer of the type S-B/I-S as
described in the application claim 1 ; (b) an
aliphatic/aromatic hydrocarbon tackifying resin as described
in the application claim 1 ; (c) a plasticizer as described
in the application claim 1.
Claims 8-10 claim block copolymers used in the low
viscosity, hot melt adhesive compositions,

2. claims: 6-7

Tapes and labels e.g. claim 7 claims packaging tapes,
comprising a composition on a carrier as described in
application claims 5-7.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 C09J153/02 C08F297/04 C08L53/02

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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
IPC 7 C09J C08L C08F C09

Documentation searched other than minimum documents to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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Patent family members are listed in annex.

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